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MAKE PRESENTATIONS

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¶1. (SBU) On June 4 we reviewed with Olga Kuznetsova, MFA Department for Security and Disarmament Affairs, actions (ref) to invite countries to make presentations at the June 16 - 18 GICNT Madrid conference. Kuznetsova noted she had already discussed the approaches with Washington, and that Russian Embassies in Ankara, Valletta, Manama and Abu Dhabi, in coordination with U.S. Embassies in these countries, had already delivered the demarche. She added, however, that Russian Embassies in the other countries listed reftel would not have time to deliver the message.

¶2. (SBU) Kuznetsova mentioned two related issues that she said she had also raised with the Department. The first was a request for USG assistance to encourage Spain to provide Russia with the technical equipment necessary for interpretation during the Madrid meetings. The GOS told the GOR that it had limited resources and could not support the request. Kuznetsova added that the GOR was willing to pay the entire cost.

¶3. (SBU) Kuznetsova also sought USG support for the GOR's request to the IAEA to send a Deputy Director General level attendee to Madrid. The IAEA has an important role in countering nuclear terrorism and this level of observer would send a clear message to all GICNT partners.

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